

Forest Land - Nashik

Diversion of 12.05 ha. Forest land in favour of Minor Irrigation Division, Nashik for construction of Shribhuvan Minor Irrigation Tank, Irrigation cum drinking water supply project Tank at Shribhuvan Tal. Surgana Dist. Nashik in the State of Maharashtra.

**Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forest Department
Government Order No.FLD-1522/C.R.28/F-10
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400032.
Date:-11.04.2025.**

Reference:-

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17 / Nodal / Nashik / 12918 / 2086 / 2021-22, Dt. 13.01.2022.
- 2) Government of Maharashtra letter No.FLD-1522/C.R.28/F-10, dt.10.03.2022.
- 3) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No. FC-II/MH-179/2022-NGP/10298, dt. 13.09.2022.
- 4) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17 / Nodal / Nashik / ID-12918(15) / 3393 /22-23, dt.10.03.2023.
- 5) Government of Maharashtra letter No. FLD-1522/C.R.28/F-10, dt.13.03.2023.
Letter No. FLD-1522/C.R.28/F-10, dt.13.03.2023 & 16.05.2023.
- 6) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No. FC-II/MH-179/2022-NGP/11657, dt. 30.05.2023.
- 7) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/FCA/S2/PID-47934/Nashik/2023-24/3360, dt. 06.03.2024.

Order:-

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal to the State Government for diversion of 12.05 ha. Forest land under Forest (Conservation), 1980 for Construction of Shribhuvan Minor Irrigation Tank, Irrigation cum drinking water supply project Tank at Shribhuvan Tal. Surgana Dist. Nashik in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the State Government vide under letter reference No.2 has sent the proposal for approval of Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur;

AND whereas, the Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.3, accorded 'In-principle' approval to divert the 12.05 ha. Forest Land for the above project under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfillment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.4 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the State Government vide letter under reference No.5 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur, vide under reference no. 6 accorded 'Final approval' to divert the 12.05 ha. of Forest land in favour of Minor Irrigation Division, Nashik for construction of Shribhuvan Minor Irrigation Tank, Irrigation cum drinking water supply project Tank at Shribhuvan Tal. Surgana Dist. Nashik in the State of Maharashtra under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No. 7 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in the matter;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 12.05 ha consisting of Reserved Forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. Minor Irrigation Division, Nashik for construction of Shribhuvan Minor Irrigation Tank, Irrigation cum drinking water supply project Tank at Shribhuvan Tal. Surgana Dist. Nashik in the State of Maharashtra.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letters dated 13.09.2022 and dated 30.05.2023 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik shall ensure that the FRA certificate must be obtained for the area to be diverted, before the actual handing over of the forest land to the User Agency.
2. The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' and 'final approval' letters of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, referred above. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
3. For ensuring the compliances and for monitoring the duly prescribed activities and also to carry out other statutory duties, user agency shall facilitate unhindered access/entry in the area to the local forest Officer. In case the user agency prohibits the free access or create hindrances, the permission given under this Order for the diversion of forest area for the non-forest use shall be withdrawn.
4. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, letters dated 13.09.2022 and dated 30.05.2023, in this order and Rules &

Guidelines made / issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, shall amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.

5. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik shall report through the State Government to the Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

SCHEDULE

| Item of work / purpose | Village | Gut No. | Area (in ha) | Legal Status of Forest Land |
|-----------------------------------|----------|---------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Submergence | Surgana, | 53 | 9.73 | Reserved Forest |
| Dam Seat | Mothamal | | 2.15 | |
| Waste Weir, A.C. & T.C. | | | 0.13 | |
| Canal | | | 0.04 | |
| Total Forest Land (in ha.) | | | 12.05 | |

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Copy:

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
3. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur.
6. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), Nagpur.
8. Collector, Nashik.
9. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Nashik.
10. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik.
11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik.
12. Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation Division, Nashik.

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I. Collector- Nashik and Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Nashik, are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.

II. Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation Division, Nashik, is hereby directed to publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc. and along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the Central Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik & Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik.

III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.